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MILITARY COLLECTION No. 386

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GENERAL HEADING - British West Africa

1897

SUB-HEAD - Lt J. B. Bedford, I.S.C. Terms of Employt in the Lagos Hausa Force, W. Africa.

To Viceroy
No. p.
dated 24 Sep 1897.
Colonial Office ask for his services for 3 years. Is there any objection?

From Viceroy
No. p.
dated 1 Oct 1897.
No objection

To India
No. 81 p. 27
dated 21 Oct 1897.
Fords Correspondence with Colonial Office & Lt Bedford on the appt & the contribution payable to India.

From Colonial Office
No. p.
dated 29 Jan 1898.
Death of Lt Bedford on Jan 23rd 1898

From India
No. 162 p. 16
dated 10th Sept. 1903.
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No. p.
dated 18 .

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dated 18 .

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Register Nos.

1897. 8453. 8757. 9315. 10004. 10342. 10642.

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Y 27866. 2000.—10/95. I. 1842.

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EXTRACT PARA. 16 OF A DESPATCH FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, NO. 162, DATED 10TH SEPTEMBER 1903.

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16. It is observed that the name of Lieutenant J. B. Bedford is still shewn on page 1229 of the War Office Monthly (August) Army List and on page 841 of the War Office Quarterly Army List. This officer died on the 23rd January 1898, and we were informed of his death by India Office List No. 5, dated the 4th February 1898.

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We have the honour to be,

MY LORD,

Your Lordship's most obedient, humble Servants,

(Signed) CURZON.
„ T. RALEIGH.
„ E. FG. LAW.
„ E. R. ELLES.
„ A. T. ARUNDEL.
„ DENZIL IBBETSON.

Register Army List about Lt. Bedford's death in 1898: it does not appear to be in the monthly & home casualty list P.H.D.

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War Office list corrected

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Extract para. 16 of a Military Despatch to His Majesty's Secretary of State for India, No. 162, dated the 10th September 1903.

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16. Attention drawn to the fact that the name of Lieutenant J. B. Bedford is still shown in the War Office Army Lists, though that officer died in 1898.

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Subscriptions towards Leprosy
written off ~~as~~ in consequence
of early death

See Sec. Despatch to India
106 3 — 14/6/07.
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Reference Paper.

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Military Department.

Referred to Financial Dept. The 6th May 1899.

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1899.

By oversight the cost of the telegram of the 24th Sept: 1897 (copy attached) has not been recovered from the Colonial Office. Will the Financial Secretary now take steps to make the recovery or does he prefer that it should be included in the next quarterly statement?

H. Lemmack
Asst Sy

I think it had better be included in the next quarterly Statement.

Henry Waterfield.

8th May 1899.

(Form 24.)

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Copy Reference from the Funds Department.

Register No. 551 *Dated* 189 .

Referred to Military Department.	Reply.
Dated 23 March 189 8.	Dated 28 March 189 8.

For observations

(Sd/ Fred^k Trevor.

The rule quoted by the Director of Funds seems to exclude Mrs Bedford from the benefits of the Indian Service Family Pension. Hers is not a case for pension under Royal Warrant. Lieutenant Bedford in the last confidential inspection returns of his regiment (12th B. I.) is said to be addicted to drink.

The widow is clearly not entitled to pension under the regulations, and there do not seem to be any special circumstances which call for a relaxation of the rules

(Sd/ O. R. Newmarch
Major General
Military Secretary.

(Form 32.)

Y 1164. 1000.—2/97. I. 334.

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Communications on this subject should be addressed to—

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE,
COLONIAL OFFICE,
LONDON, S.W.,

and the following Number quoted. 1919/98

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1898

Downing Street

29 January 1898.

Sir,

I am directed by Mr.Secretary Chamberlain to state, for the information of Lord George Hamilton, that he has received a telegram from the Deputy Governor of Lagos reporting that Lieutenant J.B.Bedford, an Assistant Inspector of the Haúsa Force, died on board the Steam Ship "Aline Woermann" on the 23rd of this month.

2. Lieutenant Bedford was an officer in the Indian Army and had been seconded for service with the Lagos Haúsa Force.

3. The news of his death has been communicated to his father, Mr.J.Bedford, whose address appears to be, Wilford Grove, Nottingham.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

H. Bertram Cox.

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MILITARY DEPARTMENT FORM 5.

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1897

EXTRACT

MILITARY DESPATCH TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

No. 81 para. 27

Dated 21 Oct 1897

M 10,342.

27. I forward herewith, for the information of your Government, copy of correspondence† with the Colonial Office and with Lieutenant J. H. Bedford, on the subject of that officer's appointment to the Lagos-Hausa Force, and the contribution to be paid by him during such employment.

[*With reference to your Military Telegram, dated 1st October* 1897.]

† From Colonial Office, dated 21st August 1897.
To ditto, dated 24th August 1897, M 8453.
From ditto, dated 27th August 1897.
To Lieut. Bedford, dated 3rd September 1897, M 8757.
To Colonial Office, dated 3rd September 1897, M 8757.
From ditto, dated 7th September 1897.
To ditto, dated 13th September 1897, M 9315.
From ditto, dated 22nd September 1897, and enclosure.
To ditto, dated 2nd October 1897, M 10,342.
To Lieut. Bedford, 2nd October 1897, M 10,342.
From Colonial Office, dated 8th October 1897.

(Form 5.)

Y 28786. 5000.—6/96. I. 1101.

Military Despatch No. 81, dated 21st October 1897.

Enclosures to Para. 27.

No. 1.

No. 16,863/97.

Downing Street,
21st August 1897.

Sir,

I am directed by Mr. Secretary Chamberlain to state that he understands that Lieutenant J. B. Bedford, an officer on the Indian Staff Corps, is desirous of obtaining an appointment in one of the Constabulary Forces of the West African Colonies.

2. There is at present a vacancy for an Assistant Inspector of the Lagos Hausa Force. Mr. Chamberlain proposes to offer this appointment to Lieutenant Bedford for a period of three years on probation, and he would be obliged if the Secretary of State for India would consent to place the services of this officer at the disposal of the Colonial Government, and to cause him to be seconded in the Indian Army while so employed. If Lord George Hamilton is able to do this, a letter offering the appointment to Mr. Bedford on certain conditions would be sent from this Department.

3. I am to add that officers are urgently required for the Hausa Force, and that it is desired te make an appointment to this vacancy as soon as possible.

I am, &c.,
JOHN BRAMSTON.

The Under Secretary of State
for India.

No. 2.

M 8453.

India Office,
24th August 1897.

Sir,

I am directed by the Secretary of State for India in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 21st August, No. 16,863/97, and to acquaint you in reply that, before consulting the Government of India regarding the proposed loan of Lieutenant J. B. Bedford's services, Lord George Hamilton would be glad to learn for what period they would be required beyond the three years on probation.

Lieutenant Bedford would be required, as a condition of his appointment to the Colonial Service, to make a contribution to the Indian Exchequer during his absence in Africa, in accordance with Article 1338 of Army Regulations, India, Vol. I., unless this were made on his behalf by the Colonial Government.

I have, &c.,
O. R. NEWMARCH, Major-General,
Military Secretary.

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office.

No. 3.

No. 18,665/97.

Downing Street,
27th August 1897.

Sir,

I am directed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies, to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th instant (M 8453), in which you inquire for what period the services of Lieutenant J. B.

Bedford would be required as an Assistant Inspector of the Lagos Hausa Force, beyond the three years on probation for which he would at first be appointed.

2. I am to state, for the information of Lord George Hamilton, that if the Government of Lagos were satisfied with Lieutenant Bedford, and if his services were required, his appointment would be confirmed at the end of the three years and would then become permanent.

3. I am to add, that the Secretary of State presumes that Lord George Hamilton will cause Lieutenant Bedford to be informed of the terms on which he would be allowed to join the Hausa Force.

I am, &c.,
JOHN BRAMSTON.

The Under Secretary of State
for India.

No. 4.

India Office,
3rd September 1897.

Sir,

I am directed by the Secretary of State for India in Council to inform you that a communication has been received from the Colonial Office regarding a proposal to offer you an appointment with the Lagos Hausa Force for three years on probation, with the possibility of its being made permanent after that period.

Before consulting the Government of India as to the loan of your services for three years, the Secretary of State for India desires me to inform you that whilst lent for Colonial service you would be required, besides paying the usual subscriptions under Indian Service family pension regulations, to make a contribution to Indian revenues (unless this payment were made on your behalf by the Colonial Government) in accordance with Article 1338 of Army Regulations, India, Vol. I, and Articles 808 and 809 of the Civil Service Regulations.

This contribution would be approximately Rs. 1,650 for the first year, Rs. 1,800 for the second year, and Rs. 1,950 for the third year, payable quarterly. It would be necessary for you to communicate with the Comptroller of Indian Treasuries at Calcutta as to the exact sum payable and the mode of payment.

In return for this contribution the Government of India would be liable for leave allowances and pension under Indian Regulations in the event of your reverting from the Colonial Service after three years.

A copy of this letter has been sent to the Colonial Office.

I have, &c.,
O. R. NEWMARCH, Major-General,
Military Secretary.

Lieutenant J. B. Bedford.

No. 5.

M 8757.

India Office,
3rd September 1897.

Sir,

I am directed by the Secretary of State for India in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 27th August, No. 18,665/97, and to forward a copy of a letter that has been addressed to Lieutenant J. B. Bedford.

I am to add, for Mr. Secretary Chamberlain's information, that the assent of the Secretary of State for India to Lieutenant Bedford's employment in the Colonial Service would be subject to the condition that he should be seconded in his regiment, and that in the event of his quitting the Colonial Service within the period of three years, his pay should (subject to the three years' limit) be borne by the Colonial Government up to the date of his absorption in his regiment, and, in

the event of his being granted leave on medical certificate, up to the dateof his arrival in India on return to duty.

I have &c.,
O. R. NEWMARCH, Major-General,
Military Secretary.

The Under Secretary of State
Colonial Office.

No. 6.

No. 19,385/97.

Downing Street,
7th September 1897.

Sir,

I am directed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 3rd instant, relating to the proposed appointment of Lieutenant J. B. Bedford to the post of Assistant Inspector in the Lagos Hausa Force, and to inquire whether, in the event of the appointment being made permanent at the end of three years, as under ordinary circumstances would no doubt be the case, the sums paid by Lieutenant Bedford during that time to Indian revenues would be refunded to him.

I am to suggest that this would be a reasonable course, as in the case of Lieutenant Bedford remaining in the Colonial Service he would forfeit his claim to a pension under Indian Regulations.

I am to request to be favoured with an early answer, as it is important to complete the arrangements with Lieutenant Bedford as soon as possible.

I am, &c.,
JOHN BRAMSTON.

The Under Secretary of State
for India.

No. 7.

M 9315

India Office,
13th September 1897.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 7th September, No. 19,385/97, and to acquaint you in reply that, in the event of the appointment of Lieutenant Bedford being made permanent at the end of three years, the Secretary of State for India in Council could not refund to him the sums paid by him on account of leave allowances and pension.

It must be borne in mind that while the contribution is being paid the Government of India accept a liability for his pension in the event of his becoming non-effective.

I have, &c.,
O. R. NEWMARCH, Major-General,
Military Secretary.

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office.

No. 8.

No. 20387/97.

Downing Street,
22nd September 1897.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 13th instant (M. 9315), and to previous correspondence, I am directed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies to transmit to you, for communication to the Secretary of State for India, a copy of a letter from Lieutenant J. B. Bedford respecting his proposed appointment as Assistant Inspector of the Lagos Hausa Force.

As Lieutenant Bedford is prepared to pay the contribution to Indian revenues as required by your letter to him of the 3rd instant, the Secretary of State proposes, with Lord George Hamilton's concurrence, to offer Lieutenant Bedford the appointment in question, and as his services are urgently required, I am to request that the consent of the Government of India, if it is necessary, may be obtained by telegraph.

Lieutenant Bedford's employment would be on the conditions specified in your letter of the 3rd instant.

I am, &c.,
EDWARD WINGFIELD.

The Under Secretary of State
for India.

Enclosure in No. 8.

Wilford Grove. Nottingham,
17th September.

Sir,

In reply to your letter No. 19,929/97, dated 15th September, from which it appears that the India Office are unwilling to entertain the idea of any refund in the event of my temporary appointment becoming a permanent one, I should like to repeat my original letter, stating that, if it could not be arranged on the terms suggested, I would still take the appointment, and even pay the Indian Government the contributions required out of my pay (or, rather, what comes to the same thing, ask you to pay the India Office quarterly and deduct it from my pay).

2. I hope that this arrangement would be satisfactory to the Colonial Department as, after 7½ years service in India, I do not wish to throw away all this service in the Indian Army, on the chance of standing the climate on the West Coast.

3. Should my health stand the climate, and especially if there is any idea of forming any service or local army on the West Coast, when my previous military service might be taken into consideration, I have every intention of staying in the Colonial Service, but until I find that I can stand the climate I would rather not give up permanently the Indian Staff Corps and my commission, so would prefer to pay the contribution to the Indian Government myself.

4. May I also draw your attention to the fact that unless the sanction of the India Office is obtained, I must leave to rejoin my regiment towards the end of October, for my leave is over at the end of November; but should I obtain the appointment on the West Coast I would be prepared to leave on the shortest notice, to get the full benefit of climate there, October being the best month to go out, I believe.

5. Please do not consider that I am in any measure inconsiderate of your offer to make the appointment a permanent one, but it is solely a matter of health and climate, and after several years in Indian Service, I am loath to give it up just on the off chance.

I have, &c.,
J. B. BEDFORD, Lieutenant,
Indian Staff Corps.

The Under Secretary of State
Colonial Office.

No. 9.

M 10,342.

India Office,
2nd October 1897.

Sir,

I am directed by the Secretary of State for India in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22nd September,

No. 20387/97, and to acquaint you in reply that, the Government of India having stated by telegram that they have no objection to the appointment of Lieutenant J. B. Bedford as Assistant Inspector of the Lagos Hausa Force for a period of three years, Lord George Hamilton consents to the appointment accordingly.

Lieutenant Bedford will be paid by this Office up to the date of his quitting this country.

I have, &c.,
O. R. NEWMARCH, Major-General,
Military Secretary.

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office.

No. 10.

M 10,342.

India Office,
2nd October 1897.

Sir,

With reference to my letter of the 3rd September last, M 8757, I am directed by the Secretary of State for India in Council to inform you that, with the consent of the Government of India, His Lordship has agreed to your appointment, for a period of three years, to the Lagos Hausa Force.

Your pay will be issued by this Office up to the date of your embarkation.

I am, &c.,
O. R. NEWMARCH, Major-General,
Military Secretary.

Lieutenant J. B. Bedford.

No. 11.

No. 21625.

Downing Street,
8th October 1897.

Sir,

I am directed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies to acquaint you, for the information of the Secretary of State for India, with reference to your letter of the 2nd instant, M 10,342, that Lieutenant J. B. Bedford will sail for Lagos to take up his appointment as Assistant Inspector of the Lagos Constabulary upon the 16th instant.

I am, &c.,
JOHN BRAMSTON.

The Under Secretary of State
for India.

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The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office,
London, S.W.,
and the following number quoted.
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M
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1897

10342
Printer

Downing Street,

8 October 1897.

Sir,

I am directed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies to

acquaint you, for the information of the Secretary of State for India, with reference to your letter of the 2nd instant, M. 10342, that Lieutenant J. B Bedford will sail for Lagos to take up his appointment as Assistant Inspector of the Lagos Constabulary upon the 16th instant.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

J. St. M. Bramston

The Under Secretary of State,
India Office

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Return to Mr. _____ *Copy for* Accounts, Govt 2

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MILITARY DEPARTMENT FORM 10.

M
10342
1897

DRAFT LETTER PAPER.

Addressed to Lieut. J. D. Bedford
Wilford Grove
Nottingham

Reminder in weeks.

Noted for 189 .

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AUDITOR TO NOTE

INDIA OFFICE,
2 Oct 1897

With reference to my letter of the 3rd Sept: last, M 8157,

I am directed by the Secretary of State for India in Council to ~~acknowledge the receipt of your letter of~~ inform you that, with the consent ~~and to acquaint you in reply that~~ of the Govt of India, His Lordship has agreed to ~~the~~ your appointment, for a period of three years, to the Lagos Marine Force.

Your pay will be issued by this office up to the date of your embarkation.

(Form 10.)

Y 29353. 5000.--11/96. I. 2057.

2/10/97

Return to Mr. Smith

Copy for

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MILITARY DEPARTMENT FORM 10.

M
10342
1897

DRAFT LETTER PAPER.

Addressed to the Under Sec. of State
Colonial Office

Reminder in weeks.

Noted for 189 .

INDIA OFFICE,

2 OCT. 1897

I am directed by the Secretary of State for India in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22nd Sept., No 20387/97, and to acquaint you in reply that, the Govt. of India having stated by telegram that they have no objection to the appointment of Lieut. J. B. Bedford as Assistant Inspector of the Lagos for a period of two years Hausa Force, Lord George Hamilton consents to the appointment accordingly.

Lieut. Bedford will be paid by

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(Form 10.)

Y 29353. 5000.—11/96. I. 2057.

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by this office up to the date of his quitting this country.

(Sgd) O. R. NEWMARCH,
Major-General,
Military Secretary.

Y 1621. 2000.—7/97. 1. 1154.

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COPY OF TELEGRAM

FROM

Viceroy.

M
10342
1897

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10004

DATED 1st Oct. '97.

RECEIVED AT LONDON OFFICE 2.51 p.m.

Your telegram of 24th Sept. Bedford,
12th Bengal Infantry. No objection.

W Lee Warner

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INDIA OFFICE
1 OCT. 1897

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1897

Minute Paper. Military Department.

Letter No. Received 189 .

	Date.	Initials.
Under Secretary.....	30.9.97	
Secretary of State.....		
Committee		
Under Secretary.....		
Secretary of State.....		
Council		

Proposed appointment of Lieut. J. S. Bedford, I. S. C., as Assistant Inspector of the Lagos Hausa Force

Approved Council, 189 . Mil. Sec. Mr.
Letter to No. dated 189 .
Despatch to No. „ 189 .
Telegram to Viceroy „ 189 .

Council 1.10.97

As Lieut. Bedford's services are urgently required it is proposed to send the following telegram to the Viceroy:-

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"My military telegram dated

Metion

"24th September last. Bedford.

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"Clear telegraph reply as

"quickly as possible."

Telegram not sent, a reply to telegram of 24th Sept. having come in. JH 10 Oct/97

(Form 15.)

Y 1406. 1000.—5/97. I. 770.

F.O. 30/9/97

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Minute Paper. Military Department.

Letter No. Received 189 .

	Date.	Initials.
Under Secretary.....	24.9.97	
Secretary of State.....		
Committee		
Under Secretary.....		
Secretary of State.....		
Council		

Proposed appointment of Lieut. J. D. Bedford, I.S.C., as Assistant Inspector of the Lagos Hausa Force.

Approved Council, 189 . Mil. Sec. Mr.
Letter to No. dated 189 .
Despatch to No. " 189 .
Telegram to Viceroy " 152 " 24 Sept 1897.

Sent 24-9-97 [illegible]

Sent re S. to C. [97] (12 words)

It is proposed to send the following telegram to the Viceroy:- (Cost recoverable:)

"Cipher Plain
"Colonial Office apply for services of
Sugendor Offavita
"Bedford, 12th Bn. Inf., for 3 years
"for Lagos Hausa Force.
Scordion.
"Have you any objection?

(Form 15.)

Y 1406. 1000.—5/97. I. 770.

F.O. 23/9/97

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Communications on this subject should be addressed to—

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE,
COLONIAL OFFICE,
LONDON, S.W.,

and the following Number quoted. 20387/97

M
10 004
1897

Downing Street

22nd September 1897.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 13th instant (M.9315) and to previous correspondence, I am directed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies to transmit to you, for communication to the Secretary of State for India, a copy of a letter from Lieutenant J.B.Bedford respecting his proposed appointment as Assistant Inspector of the Lagos Hausa Force.

As Lieutenant Bedford is prepared to pay the contribution to Indian revenues as required by your letter to him of the 3rd instant, the Secretary of State proposes, with Lord George Hamilton's concurrence, to offer Lieutenant Bedford the appointment in question and as his services are urgently required, I am to request that the consent of the Government of India, if it is necessary, may be obtained by telegraph.

Lieutenant Bedford's employment would be on the conditions specified in your letter of the 3rd instant.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Edward Wingfield

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE

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22 SEP. 1897

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Copy.

From
J.B.Bedford, Lieut. Indian Staff Corps.

To
The Under Secretary of State, Colonial Office.

Wilford Bridge
Nottingham.
17th. September.

Sir,

In reply to your letter No. 19929/97 d/- 15th. September, from which it appears that the India Office are unwilling to entertain the idea of any refund in the event of my temporary appointment becoming a permanent one, I should like to repeat my original letter stating, that if it could not be arranged on the terms suggested, I would still take the appointment and even pay the Indian Government the contributions required out of my pay (or rather what comes to the same thing, ask you to pay the India Office quarterly and deduct it from my pay).

2. I hope that this arrangement would be satisfactory to the Colonial Department as, after 7½ years service in India, I do not wish to throw away all this service in the Indian Army, on the chance of standing the climate on the West Coast.

3. Should my health stand the climate, and especially if there is any idea of forming any service or local army on the West Coast, when my previous military service might be taken into consideration, I have every intention of staying in the Colonial Service but until I find that I can stand the climate I would

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rather not give up permanently the Indian Staff Corps and my commission, so would prefer to pay the contribution to the Indian Government myself.

4. May I also draw your attention to the fact that unless the sanction of the India office is obtained, I must leave to rejoin my regiment towards the end of October for my leave is over at the end of Novr. but should I obtain the appointment on the West Coast, I would be prepared to leave on the shortest notice, to get the full benefit of climate there - October being the best month to go out I believe.

5. Please do not consider that I am in any measure inconsiderate of your offer to make the appointment a permanent one, but it is solely a matter of health and climate, and after several years in Indian Service, I am loath to give it up just on the off chance.

I have &c.

(sd) J.B.Bedford. Lieut.
Indian Staff Corps.

Return to Mr. _____ *Copy for* _____

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MILITARY DEPARTMENT FORM 10.

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9315
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DRAFT LETTER PAPER.

Addressed to the Under Sec. of State
Colonial Office

INDIA OFFICE,

13 SEP. 1897

Reminder in weeks.

Noted for 189 .

I am directed ~~by the Secretary of State for India in Council~~ to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 7th Sept. No 19585/97. and to acquaint you in reply that, in the appointment of Lieut. Redford being made permanent at the end of three years, the Secretary of State for India in Council could not refund to him the sums paid by him on account of lean allowances and pensions. It must be borne in mind that While the contribution is being paid

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(Form 10.)

Y 29353. 5000.-11/96. I. 2057.

F.O. 11/9/97

the Govt of
said India accepts a liability for
his pension in the event of his be-
coming non-effective.

(Sgd) O. R. NEWMARCH,
Major-General,
Military Secretary.

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9315
1897.

Reference Paper. Military Department.

Referred to Financial Dept. The 9th Sept. 189).

For any observations.

J. H. Kennedy
Lieut Col

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1897

10th September 1897.

The contribution covers leave allowances as well as pension, and I do not think that it would be desirable to create a precedent by allowing any refund. It must be borne in mind that while the contribution is being paid, India accepts ~~the~~ any liability for the officers pension in the event of his becoming noneffective during that period

W. A. [illegible]

(Form 24.)

Y 29002. 1500.—8/96. I. 1492.

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Communications on this subject should be addressed to—

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE,
COLONIAL OFFICE,
LONDON, S.W.,

and the following Number quoted. 19385/97.

8/57

M
9315
1897

Downing Street,

7th September 1897.

Sir,

I am directed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 3rd instant, relating to the proposed appointment of Lieutenant J.B.Bedford to the post of Assistant Inspector in the Lagos Hausa Force, and to enquire whether, in the event of the appointment being made permanent at the end of three years, as under ordinary circumstances would no doubt be the case, the sums paid by Lieutenant Bedford during that time to Indian Revenues would be refunded to him .

I am to suggest that this would be a reasonable course, as in the case of Lieutenant Bedford remaining in the Colonial Service he would forfeit his claim to a pension under Indian Regulations.

I am to request to be favoured with an early answer as it is important to complete the arrangements with Lieutenant Bedford as soon as possible.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

John Bramston

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The Under Secretary of State,

India Office.

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MILITARY DEPARTMENT FORM 10.

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1897

DRAFT LETTER PAPER.

Addressed to Under Secr. of State
Colonial Office

Reminder in weeks.

Noted for 189 .

INDIA OFFICE,

3 SEP. 1897

Sir

I am directed by the Secretary of State for India in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 27th August, No. 18665/97 and to ~~acquaint you in reply that~~ forward a copy of a letter that has been addressed to Lieut. J.B. Bedford.

I am to add, for Mr. Secr Chamberlain's information, that the assent of the Secretary of State for India to Lieut Bedford's employment in the Colonial Service would be subject to the condition that he should be seconded in his regiment, and that in the event

This letter follows the letter to the F.O. 25 May 97. M. 4908, in case of Lt. Gunning

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event of his quitting the Colonial
Service within the period of three
years, his pay should ~~be borne~~
(subject to the three years' limit) be borne
by the Colonial Government up
to the date of his absorption in
his regiment, and, in the event
of his being granted leave on
medical certificate, up to the
date of his arrival in India
on return to duty.

(S'd) O. R. NEWMARCH,
Major-General,
Military Secretary.

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DRAFT LETTER PAPER.

Addressed to

Lieut. J.B. Bedford
Welford Grove
Nottingham

Reminder in _____ weeks.

Noted for 189 .

INDIA OFFICE,

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Sir

I am directed by the Secretary of State for India in Council to ~~acknowledge the receipt of your letter of~~ inform you that a communication ~~and to acquaint you in reply that~~ has been received from the Colonial Office regarding a proposal to offer you an appointment with the Lagos Hausa Force for three years on probation with the possibility of its being made permanent after that period.

Before consulting the Govt. of India as to the loan of your services for three years the Secy of State for India desires me to inform you that whilst lent for Colonial Service you would be

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be required, besides paying the usual subscriptions under Indian Service family pension regulations, to make a contribution to Indian revenues (unless this payment were made on your behalf by the Colonial Govt.) in accordance with art. 1338 of Army Regulations, India, vol. I, and article 808 and 809 of the Civil Service Regulations.

This contribution would be approximately ~~Rs 1650, 1800 and 1950~~ Rs. 1650 for the first year, Rs. 1800 for the second year and Rs. 1950 for the third year, payable quarterly. It would be necessary for you to communicate with the Comptroller of Indian Treasuries at Calcutta as to the exact sum payable and the mode of payment.

In return for this contribution the ~~India~~ Govt. of India would be liable for leave allowances and pension under Indian regulations in the event of your reverting from the Colonial Service ~~at the end of the~~ after three years.

A copy of this letter has been sent to the Colonial Office

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Major-General,
Military Secretary.

Civil Medical Officers

salary would be (1st Comm.t. 1/3/90 amd. in India 28 Apr. 90)

Rs. 350 + 4/5 (Rs. 50) = Rs. ~~600~~ 550 for first year

Rs. 350 + 5/6 (Rs. 50) = Rs. 600 — second —

Rs. 350 + 6/6 (Rs. 50) = Rs. ~~700~~ 650 — third —

~~But~~ This furlough pay is £250 per annum, and twice this (£500) at 1/2 1/2 per rupee

= Rs. 689 - 13 - 9, or say Rs. 690 per mensem;

~~so that the assumed salary for the third year would be Rs. 690.~~

The contribution is one fourth of the assumed salary, or Rs. 137½ Rs. 150 cap ^ 162½ per mensem.

~~1.7.2 & respectively, commencing that the furlo' pay which determines the maximum contribution to be calculated at 1/2 1/2 the rupee~~

J.W.S.
7/9/97

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THE BOROUGH CLUB.

NOTTINGHAM, Aug. 30th. 1897

Dear Mr. Seabrooke,

After leaving you I called to see the private Sec.y at the Colonial office & we went over together to see Mr. Mercer - The matter of being seconded seemed to be about some "contributions" & I should like to say if it is anything to do with my pay I would pay any contributions from it to the Indian Service

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- regimental or pension funds -
that were desired, myself -

If you can do anything to
forward the matter yourself I
should be very pleased as I
believe I might go immediately
if the India Office will agree -
There will be nothing to affect
the Ind. Family Pension Fund as
am not married -

Yours sincerely
J. B. Bedford.

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Reference Paper.

Military Department.

Referred to Fin. Secr

The 30 Augt 1897.

Can the Financial Secy
inform me what would be
the contribution for leave
and pension to be paid by
Lieut. Bedford during three
years' employment in Lagos,
under art. 1338 of Army
Regulations, India, vol I
and art. 808 of the Civil
Service Regulations?

J. H. Lemmard
Lieut Col

1st Commr 1 March 90

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This case is similar to that of Lieut. Gunning (see Sir A. Waterfield's reply to the reference from the Military Secretary of June 18th last).

Lieut
~~Capt.~~ Bedford would be assumed (Article 808-a- of the C.S.R.) to have a salary of Rs. 350- a month, plus Rs. 50- a month for each year of service after the second, the assumed salary being subject to a maximum limit of "twice the maximum "furlough allowance admissible "to the officer concerned;" and Lieut
~~Capt.~~ Bedford would be required (Article 809-a-i) to pay a contribution at the rate of one-fourth of his assumed pay. In consideration of this contribution, the Government of India would Lieut
bear the cost of ~~Capt.~~ Bedford's leave allowances and pension.

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THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE,
COLONIAL OFFICE,
LONDON, S.W.,

and the following Number quoted. 18665/97.

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Downing Street,
27th August 1897.

Sir,

I am directed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th instant (M.8453), in which you inquire for what period the services of Lieutenant J.B.Bedford would be required as an Assistant Inspector of the Lagos Haúsa Force, beyond the three years on probation for which he would at first be appointed.

2. I am to state, for the information of Lord George Hamilton, that if the Government of Lagos were satisfied with Lieutenant Bedford, and if his services were required, his appointment would be confirmed at the end of the three years and would then become permanent.

3. I am to add that the Secretary of State presumes that Lord George Hamilton will cause Lieutenant Bedford to be informed of the terms on which he would be allowed to join the Haúsa Force.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

The Under Secretary of State,
India Office.

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Addressed to Under Secr. of State
Colonial Office

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INDIA OFFICE,

24 AUG. 1897

Sir

I am directed by the Secretary of State for India in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 21st August, No. 16863/97 and to acquaint you in reply that before consulting the Govt. of India regarding the proposed ~~appointment~~ loan of Lieut. J.B. Bedford's services Lord George Hamilton would be glad to learn for what period they would be required beyond the three years on probation.

Lieut. Bedford would be required, as a condition of

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of his appointment to the
Colonial Service, to make a
contribution
~~to the~~ Indian Exchequer ~~in~~
during his absence in Africa, in
accordance with article 1338 of
Army Regulations, India,
vol. I., unless this were
made on his behalf by the
Colonial Government

(as in some of the
Foreign Office appts.)

(Sd) O. R. NEWMARCH,
Major-General,
Military Secretary.

Communications on this subject should be addressed to—

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE,
COLONIAL OFFICE,
LONDON, S.W.,

and the following Number quoted. 16863/97.

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Downing Street,

21 August 1897.

Sir,

I am directed by Mr Secretary Chamberlain to state that he understands that Lieutenant J.B.Bedford, an Officer on the Indian Staff Corps, is desirous of obtaining an appointment in one of the Constabulary Forces of the West African Colonies.

2. There is at present a vacancy for an Assistant Inspector of the Lagos Haúsa Force. Mr Chamberlain proposes to offer this appointment to Lieutenant Bedford for a period of three years on probation, and he would be obliged if the Secretary of State for India would consent to place the services of this officer at the disposal of the Colonial Government, and to cause him to be seconded in the Indian Army while so employed. If Lord George Hamilton is able to do this, a letter offering the appointment to Mr Bedford on certain conditions would be sent from this Department.

3. I am to add that officers are urgently required for the Haúsa Force and that it is desired to make an appointment to this vacancy as soon as possible.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

J. Chamberlain

The Under Secretary of State,

India Office.

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